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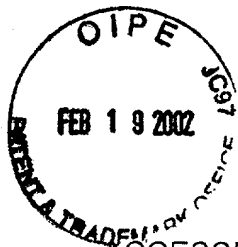
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ACCESSING INFORMATION USING AN INSTANT MESSAGING SYSTEM

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

10 Not applicable.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

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The present invention relates to the field of messaging systems and, more specifically, accessing information using messaging systems such as instant messaging systems.

20 Description of Related Art

The growth of the web has revolutionized the way people and computers exchange information. Today, individuals use the web to quickly research and

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